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Information circular*

To: Members of delegations and staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services

Subject: **First day of issue — 16 November 2001: "Climate Change" stamps and annual collection folders**

Commemorative stamps

1. On Friday, 16 November 2001, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will issue a set of three commemorative stamps on the theme "Climate Change".

2. The stamps, in denominations of $0.34, Sw F 0.90 and S 7/€ 0.51, were designed by Robert Giusti (United States of America). Each sheet of 24 stamps will accommodate six se-tenant strips of four stamps.

(United States dollar equivalents — Sw F 0.90 (strip of four): $2.02 and S 7/€ 0.51 (strip of four): $1.74, subject to exchange-rate fluctuation.)

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2001 annual collection folders

3. The New York, Geneva and Vienna annual collection folders of single mint stamps and souvenir sheets issued in 2001 will also be released on 16 November 2001. It should be noted that the 2001 Endangered Species series stamps **will not** be included in the individual New York, Geneva or Vienna annual collection folders. They are contained in their own separate album previously issued in February 2001.

2001 Flag series folders

4. In addition, the 2001 Flag series folders will be released on 16 November 2001. One of each of the eight flag stamps issued in 2001 will be included with each album, together with the appropriate mounts.

General information

5. For the convenience of collectors, UNPA at Headquarters will provide prepared and cancelled New York, Geneva and Vienna first-day covers on the UNPA official first-day cachets **only**. Members of delegations and the staff can obtain these items on Thursday, 16 November 2001, at the following locations:

(a) The UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.;

(b) The counter at the north end of the Secretariat lobby from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

6. First-day-of-issue cancellations can be obtained at a temporary United States Postal Service substation located outside the United Nations Bookshop in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

7. Information on United Nations stamps can be accessed on the Internet at http://www.un.org/Depts/UNPA.